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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Telephone Call from Hans Mark, NASA, Regarding Space Platform Program

- l. Mr. McMahon informed me that he had received a call from Hans Mark, Deputy Administrator of NASA, who had heard that Chairman Boland or the HPSCI was "putting the blocks" on the space platform program. Mr. McMahon said that indeed the Community had in the past told the Committee that the money going into the space platform could be used more efficiently by the Intelligence Community and DoD in other ways.
- 2. Mr. McMahon asked me to call Marty Faga, HPSCI, to inform him and have him, in turn, inform Chairman Boland that, the President having decided to go ahead with the space platform, the Intelligence Community was withdrawing its objections and would remain silent on the issue. I was to tell Faga that while we cannot think of a specific use for the space platform at this moment, if it comes into being, the Community will work hard to try to find an intelligence use for it.
- 3. I called Marty Faga this afternoon to pass the above message and he agreed to pass it on to Chairman Boland.

Acting Director, Office of Legislative Liaison

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